

WASHINGTON, DC – As a leading proponent of the Keystone XL pipeline, Congressman Lee Terry (R-NE) coordinated a bipartisan effort of more than 145 House members to join together in stating their support for the immediate approval and construction of the pipeline. The following letter, signed by the Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, the Subcommittee Chairman of Energy and Power, the Chairman of Transportation and Infrastructure, and members from regions all over the country, including Texas, Illinois, California, New York, Arkansas and Utah, is one of the strongest bipartisan statements to-date sent to the President in support of the approval of the Keystone XL pipeline:

President Barack Obama

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On January 22, 2013, Governor Dave Heinemann transmitted a letter to you in support of the re-route through the state of Nebraska for the Keystone XL pipeline project. This letter will be included in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on the application pending before the State Department.

It has been 4 and a half years since the initial application was made to the State Department. The Final Environmental Impact Statement on the original application was

dated August 26, 2011. Congress was told that the reason for the denial of the original application was not based on the merits of the project, but rather on insufficient time to assess the application with a revised route through Nebraska.

All studies show that this project will have minimal environmental impact and a substantial economic benefit to our country. In light of the recent events in North Africa, we need to be investing in energy infrastructure to control our own resources. We need to be able to move resources, not only from Canada, but from the many domestic shale plays that have recently come on line. We need to make our country energy independent.

We respectfully request that your administration act expeditiously and approve the project as soon as possible. You have the information from the State of Nebraska. No other portion of the pipeline has changed. Given the positive impact of domestic energy on jobs and the economy, you must come to the conclusion that this is in the national interest

It is time to act in our nation's best interest and approve the Keystone XL pipeline.

Sincerely,

Lee Terry, Member of Congress

Fred Upton, Member of Congress

Ed Whitfield, Member of Congress

Gene Green, Member of Congress

Steve Daines, Member of Congress

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